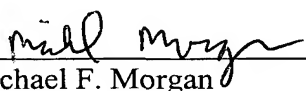


REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment claims 19-38 are pending in the application. New claims 19-38 add no new matter, as these claims contain subject matter deleted from the canceled claims. There are one (1) independent claim and a total of twenty (20) claims pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the preliminary amendment.

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